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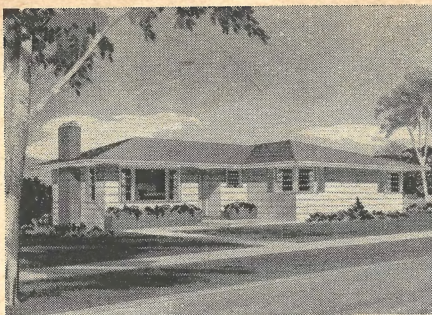
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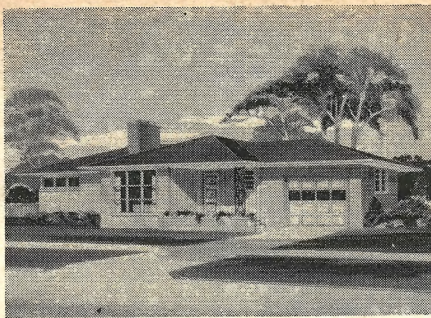
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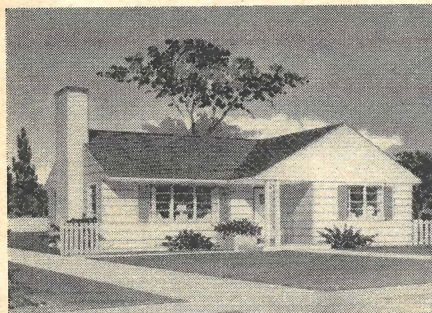
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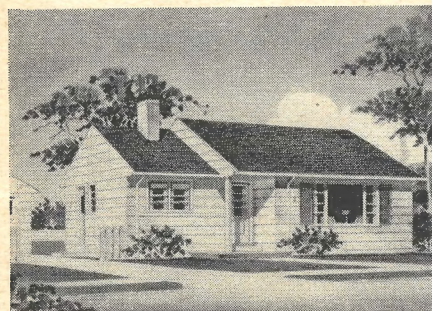
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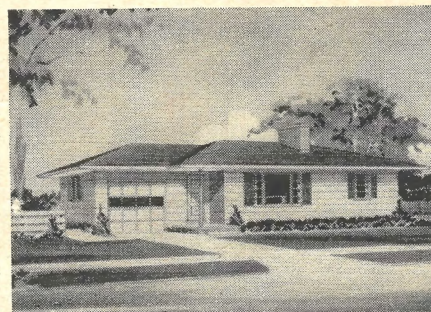
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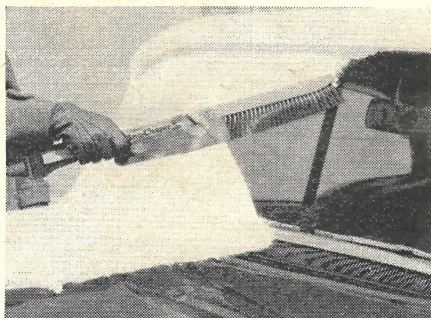
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By Karla Baur



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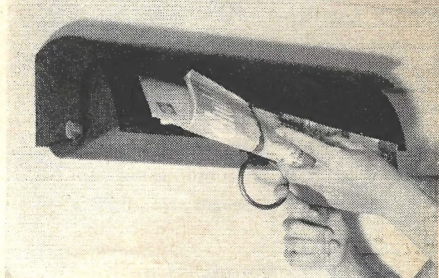
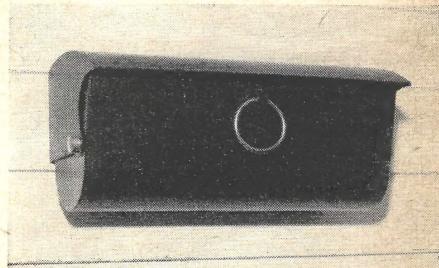
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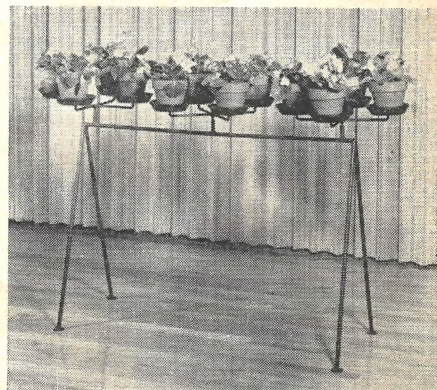
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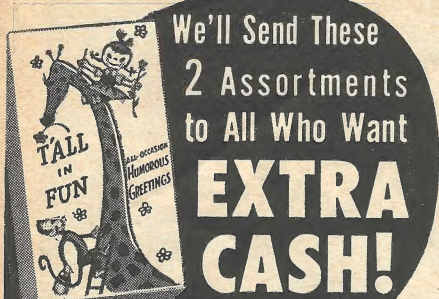
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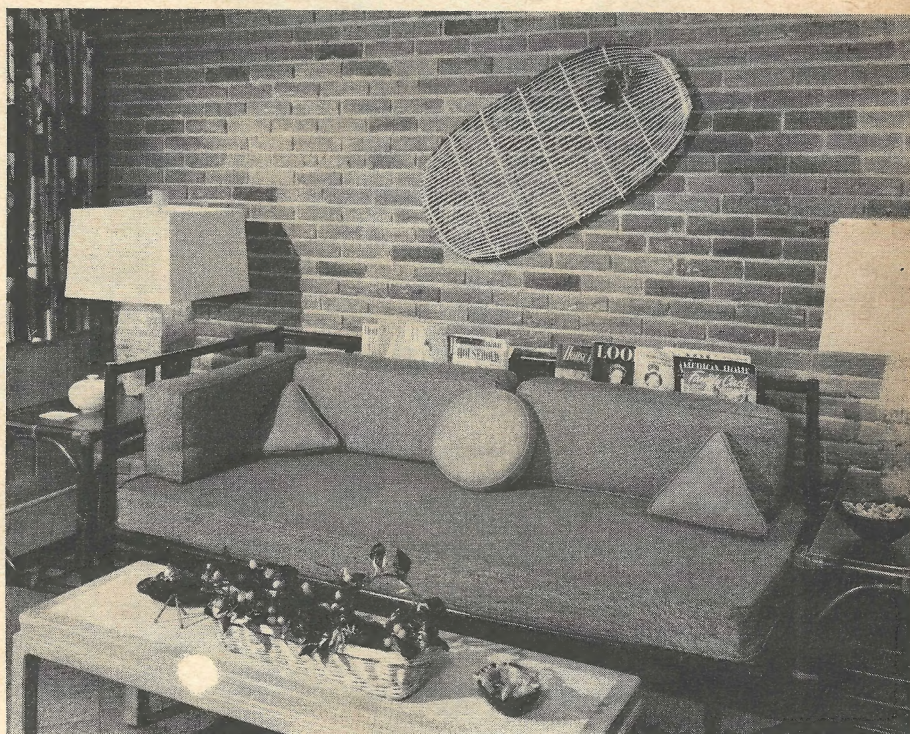
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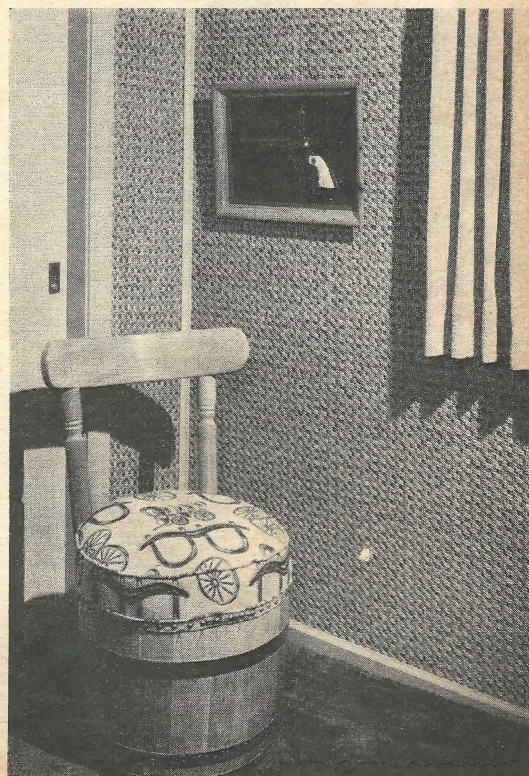
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Here are five families, of obviously varied interests, who hung up their prized possessions, the better to see and admire. Try it with your own pet "objects."



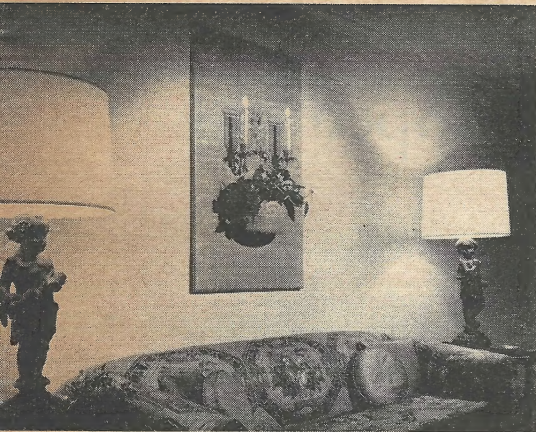
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Big basket is a Portuguese fruit tray. Its rough texture and size suit the real brick wall it hangs against. Tiny native figures made of feathers hang on the basket, which could also be a background for big artificial flowers or interesting souvenirs.



Here's a six-shooter straight from the wild West, framed as it appears in its natural habitat—on the back side of a pair of blue jeans. An idea for durability: wall of this boy's room is covered with fiber carpeting. Seat is an upholstered barrel.

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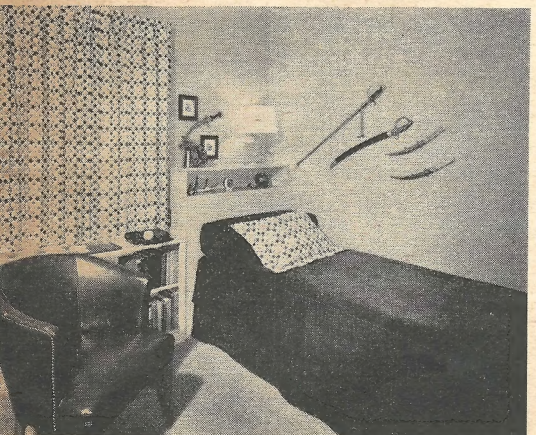
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Elegance of this wall hanging is in keeping with the rest of the room's furnishings. The plywood backing, brass planter, and candelabra have all been finished in antiqued white.



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Here grandmother's work of art, an elaborately handpainted plate, shows up appropriately in a deep shadow-box frame against green velvet.



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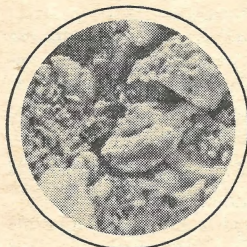


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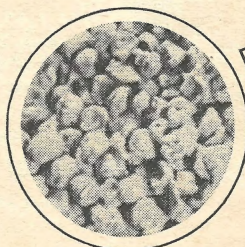
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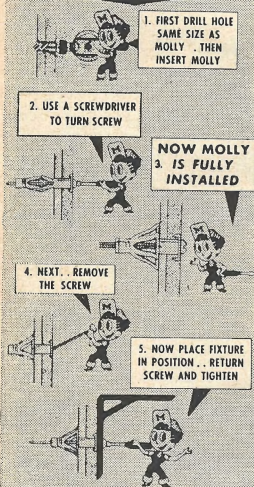
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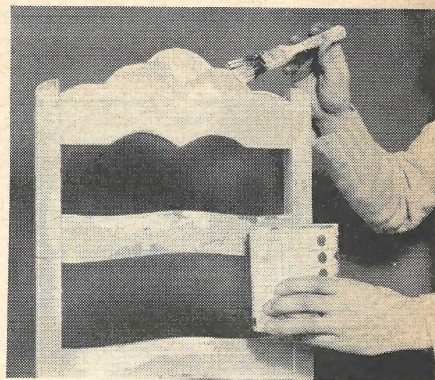
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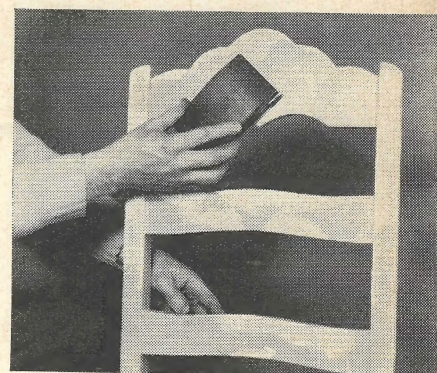
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By Max Alth

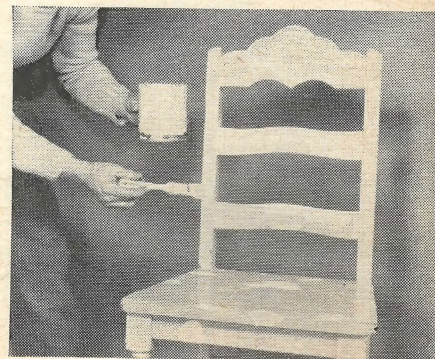
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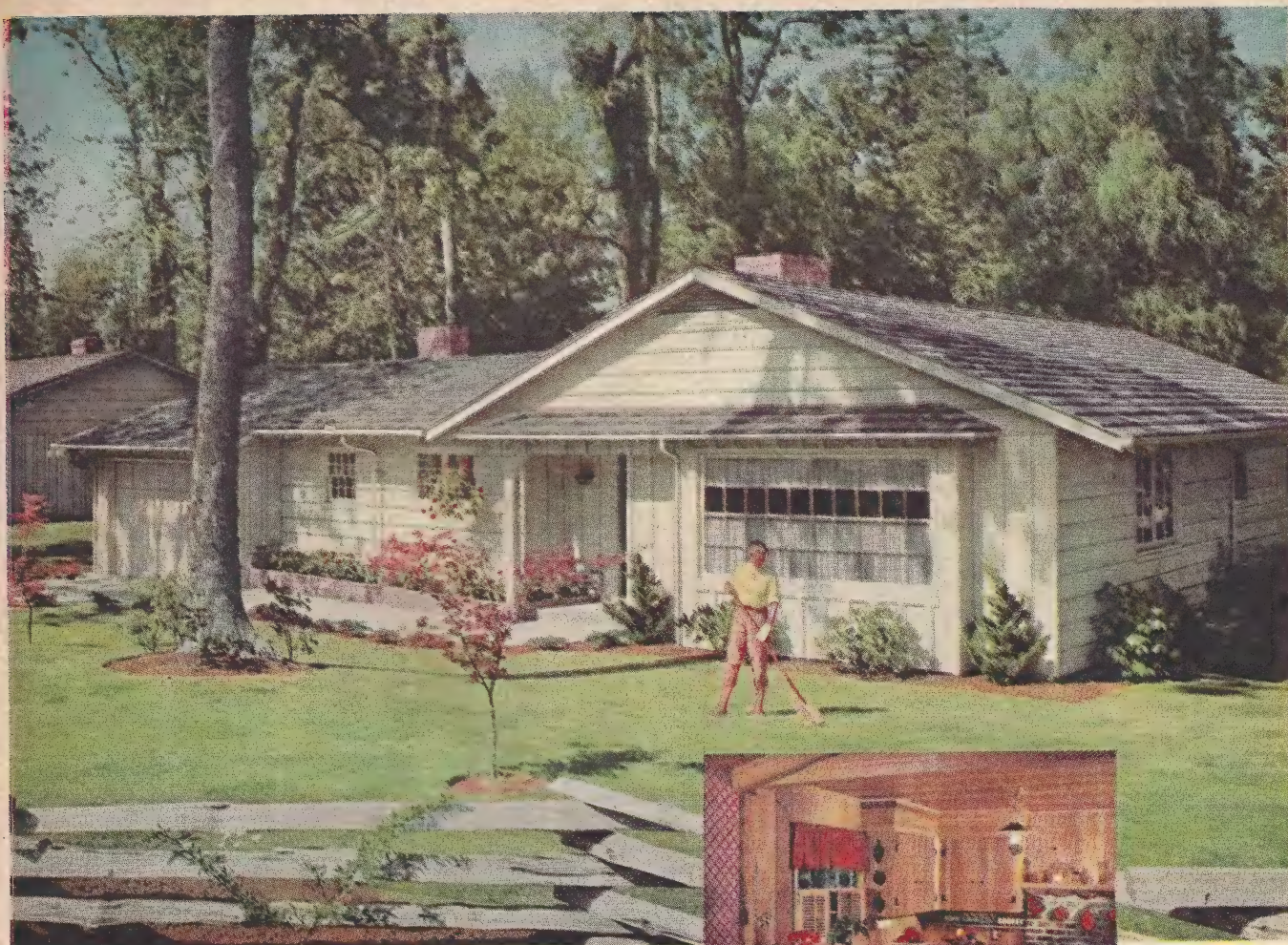
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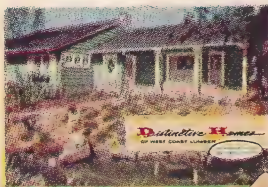
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—from old castaways

By Lois Rea

Everything but the kitchen sink is a novelty in Helen Goode's kitchen, St. Louis, Missouri. She has partitioned it with a room divider made of burlap. The towel rack on the wall behind the divider is the frame from the back of a chair, painted and hung upside down. Lamp on the little table in the foreground is made from a turpentine can covered with burlap, with a finger ring at the top and tapered wooden legs glued to the bottom. Her room divider was made by forming the burlap into an ordinary drapery panel to reach from ceiling to floor, with pinch pleats at the top, and hanging it by drapery hooks to a strip of wood attached to the ceiling. Dowel rods, regularly spaced, were poked through the loose weave, giving the divider a firm body so it stays in place.



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What's that, her friends ask, and Mrs. Drennan Bailey of Glendale, Missouri, explains that she has used an iron tractor seat for a kitchen stool, bought a real old-fashioned

meat-market chopping block, and—hanging over the range? A quarter section of an old wagon wheel, with S-hooks for pans and tools hanging on the spokes and along the rim.

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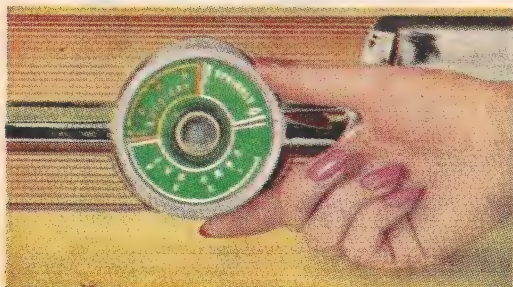


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Six months in a Paris flat forced our family closer together!

No bathroom—and the four of us were
crowded into two small rooms—but we learned
how nice it is to really know your family

By Richard Armour

We shall never be quite the same again, the four of us, either as individuals or as a family. What happened? We left our little town, where we know almost everyone, and took up living in a city of several million people, where we know no one. We left our country, where we speak the language of those about us, and took up living in a country where ours is a foreign language. We left our comfortable two-story house on the corner—with its broad front lawn, its grape arbor and barbecue pit in back—and took up living in two rooms on the fifth floor of a *pension* in Paris.

We didn't leave for good—only for six months. We didn't go to the remote ends of the earth, to Zanzibar or Pago Pago. But in a few days we found ourselves in a completely different environment. And the greatest change, for our family, wasn't that from a small California town to the great capital of France, but the change from living in 10 rooms, with all the marvels of modern electronics and plumbing, to these two rooms, with a lavatory down the hall and baths, by appointment, at 150 francs (50 cents).

As we look out on a well-like courtyard of stone and plaster, surrounded by the austere walls of this seven-story building, we miss the green and the spaciousness of our rambling yard at home. As we cram our clothes together in a narrow *armoire*, we miss our closets and cupboards. As we eat what is set before us in the *pension* dining room, we miss the freedom of our kitchen, our refrigerator, and our home freezer. As we go down the street, among strangers speaking another tongue, we miss the friendly greeting of long-known neighbors.

But there are compensations, and important ones. I don't mean the obvious excitement of living in a foreign land and in one of the world's most beautiful cities. Or the gain to our children (once they got over the initial fright) of attending a French school and learning, along with their mathematics and history, new ways of doing things. What I have in mind is something that goes deeper than all of this—something special that affects us as a family.

It has to do with the compression of the four of us into two rooms. At home, we could get apart, we could go our own ways. Here, because of our confined way of living, and because we have not acquired many separate clubs and activities, *we are getting acquainted with each other again*. We have to share our few possessions, our few means of

entertainment, our little space. It's hardly living as the only people on a small island, yet it's somewhat like it; we have a little family island right in the middle of Paris.

One of the things we do, that we hadn't done for a long time, is to read books together. We take turns reading aloud, and we talk, in the pauses, about what we have been reading. We have just finished *A Tale of Two Cities*, which was better than ever because it was read in Paris, where we have trod the very cobblestone over which the carts once rattled on their way to the guillotine. At home, each of us would have been in his own room, reading his own book. Here, under the only useful light (a poor 40-watter), we are forced to read together, and we like it.

It used to be, I must confess, that my wife did most of the helping with work brought home from school. I had other things to do, good excuses—or at least so I thought—to avoid it. But here, where the homework is so hard that it needs all our little stock of knowledge, and where I have been unable to contrive an excuse, I must do my share. And the strange thing is that I *enjoy* learning some arithmetic with my daughter and some history with my son—and at the same time learning something about my children.

At home we often ate at different hours. Someone had to eat early in order to get somewhere; someone else had to eat late because of having been somewhere. But here, where we start for the dining room as soon as the bell is rung, or risk no meal at all, we get to the table at the same time, three times a day. And the French way of serving—one course at a time, and no hurrying—keeps us at the table a while, and talking. It's against the rules to grab an apple or an orange and run. You must wait until the final fruit course is served, eat it at the table, and take formal leave of Madame, the *pension* keeper, before departing.

Living in such close quarters has its difficulties. There has to be adjustment; there has to be agreement. It's sometimes a little hard on the individual, and hard for people of two generations constantly to find common pleasures. No, I wouldn't recommend it as a permanent solution.

But for a short time, it's a chance to get the old-fashioned feeling of a family, to live together, to enjoy each other's company. It's a good feeling, and I know we won't forget it after we get back to our comfortable 10-room house and the friendly small town which we call home.



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Sure cure for a high ceiling—use a lot of horizontal lines in your decorating. Examples here are heavy valances at sunroom windows with a line of trim; the chintz ruffle over doorway and long row of plates.

Put on an Early American air!

By Helen McCall

So you live in an old house, and you like it, though once in a while you wish it were dressed up a little more and had some real sparkle. You can put more life in an old house and make it seem—not brand-new, but just what it is—a mellow family home that has gracefully kept abreast of the times. We show you such a house here, the St. Louis home of the G. E. Lasker family. They had a house with all the “dated” features that are most discouraging—barn-like ceilings, windows high and narrow, too heavy woodwork. The house is still the same, architecturally—but look at the new life in it! How the Laskers accomplished this in each room is described under the photographs.



Typical old kitchen was “remodeled” with paint, wallpaper, and fabric. Red paint “lowers” ceiling, and draperies “widen” windows. Brick wallpaper makes kitchen look definitely styled.



Old bedroom was made over with new wallpaper, in a tight provincial pattern, a double deck of white muslin curtains, and harmonizing quilt and bedspread, all set off by accessories.

Total disguise for a skinny window: Deep valance covers top of window; the many horizontal lines of the shutters reinforce the impression of width; centered furniture covers lower window.

Get your garden out of a rut!

*Here are some out-of-the-ordinary beauties,
guaranteed to stop traffic and start talk*

By Gretchen Harshbarger

If your garden's in a rut, get it out! Try something different, such as the stunning flowers pictured here. In addition, I recommend the following standouts seen in test gardens last summer:

Perennials: Phlox Adonis is the reddest I know; Brigadier has an orange glow. Achillea Golden Plate is a showy tall yellow for borders and also dries for winter bouquets. Aster Eventide is a gorgeous shade of blue-lavender for autumn. Daylily Evelyn Claar is the one that fans voted top favorite for '55.

Gladiolus: You'll want to try the first All-America Gladiolus Selections—red Royal Stewart and pink Appleblossom.

Annals: Celosias, both feather and cockscomb types, rival rainbow colors; Gilbert varieties have unusual pastel shades. Bush morning-glory, brilliant blue, grows a foot high. New Century zinnias are whoppers. Bells of Ireland fascinate, fresh or dried.

GRETCHEN HARSHBARGER



Miniature glads are simply adorable, and just the right size for home bouquets. Varieties above are Little Gold and Little Sweetheart, shown alongside standard-size Dolly Varden for comparison.

Tuberous begonias, below, are so gorgeous you're apt to think you can't grow them. But you *can*! Buy tubers soon; start indoors on damp moss or vermiculite; move outdoors when weather's warm.

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These flowers will make your early spring garden dazzling. Both are hardy, can start from seed or plants. Yellow: basket-of-gold (*Alyssum saxatile*); white: the hardy candytuft (*Iberis sempervirens*).

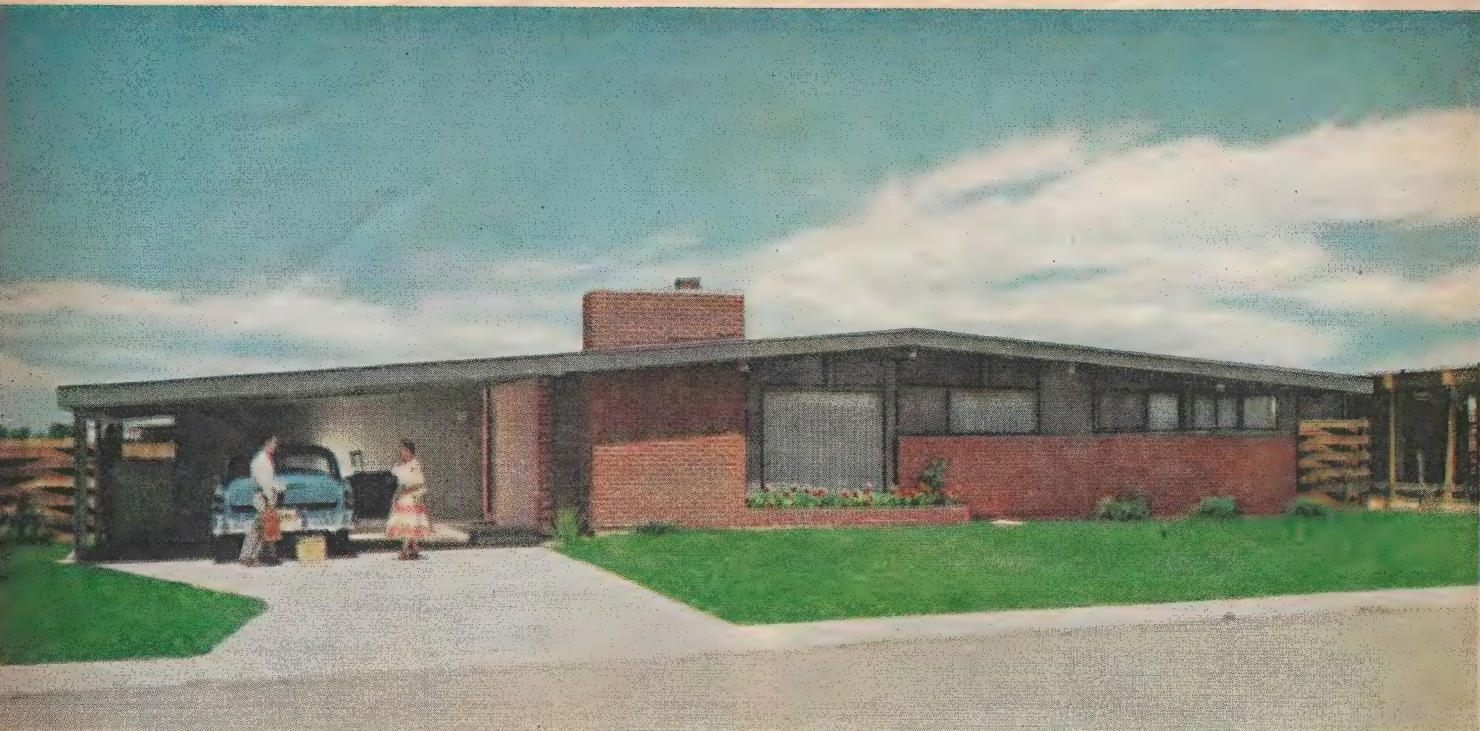
At right are Super Giant hibiscus. Aren't they spectacular? They're late-summer-blooming hardy perennials that die to the ground each winter. Plant roots in spring, or grow them from seed.

Below is a border of brand-new All-America winners! Meet Circus, the multi-colored floribunda that's the only rose to win this year; also the two superb petunias: red Fire Dance; white Paleface.



These fancy flowering onions, shown with sweet-alyssum, bloom in late summer. Hardy; no onion-smell unless crushed. Start from bulbs or seed. Name is lavender globe-lily (*Allium tanguticum*).

Ever see a red large-flowered clematis vine? Like the familiar purple Jackman clematis, they are hardy, like sun. Spring planting's ideal. Fine varieties are Crimson Star and Mme. Edouard Andre.



Here's today's look in houses—long, low, and livable. The roof extends unbroken over a big double carport, disguising what is actually a rather compact house. Entry is under the carport. Front and side walls are brick and redwood; rear is all redwood.

A clean combination of wood and brick in the living room expresses the flavor of this house. We think you'll agree the designer was right when he said, "You could save some money in this plan by leaving out the fireplace, but you'd ruin the house!"

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This house takes care of you!

By John Mack Carter

Sit down and take it easy! If that's what you'd like to do, this is the house for you. So many houses require babying and pampering, that it's a pleasure to find a house that "spoils" its owners. That's what HOUSEHOLD Home 601 does for the Paul G. West family of Englewood, Colorado. Here are some of the ways:

► *All on one floor.* More pertinent, it's *complete* on one floor. Nothing is missing: Close one set of folding shutters and the den is a third bedroom—close the other set and the dining room is separated from the living room. Even the second bathroom is a full one.

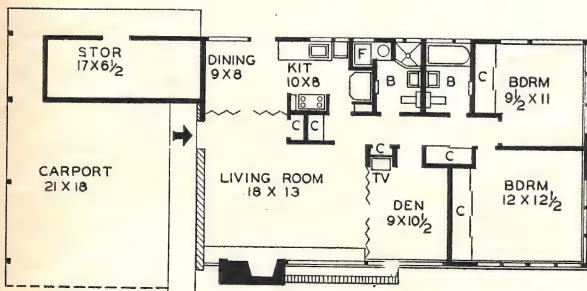
► *Hide-tough materials.* Brick facing is used on most of the interior walls. The brick used inside is the same red face-brick used on the exterior, just cleaned up with an acid solution. Ceiling beams and planking were finished attractively and left exposed. All floor covering is cork tile laid over the concrete slab foundation.

► *Building economies.* The biggest saving comes from what is called a tight plan—one that eliminates waste motion. There's a total of only about 1,100 square feet of living space (not counting the carport) in the basic rectangle of the house. That's small for a house that offers so much. There's some economy in the post-and-beam framing used. Beams are all 4x12's except where one 6x12 is required for a longer span. The exposed planking is 1x4 fir flooring, laid smooth side down.

Expert planning of the bathrooms achieved a perfect backup of fixtures on the common wall, and all the other plumbing is concentrated quite nearby on the rear wall. The furnace and water heater are also located on the rear wall, with access to the furnace from the outside.

Household Home 601

DESIGNER AND BUILDER: EDWARD B. HAWKINS



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The feature the Wests like best about their plan is the versatility of the living, dining, and den areas. With the hinged shutters, they can be three separate rooms or one large area. All the flooring—even in the bathrooms and kitchen—is cork tile.



Brick in the bedrooms? Yes, and it works very well. High glass panels between beams were intended to be left open, which makes an easy curtaining job. Wall is 10-inch cavity construction, with semi-rigid insulation in the 2-inch airspace between.

Order plan sheet (which includes floor plan, elevations, wall section) from HOUSEHOLD, Building Department, Topeka, Kansas. 50 cents, postpaid.

How to get the most from

By Robert L. Hering

The first rule when you buy lumber is, get the lowest grade that suits the job on hand. A perfectly smooth, knotless board is fine—but if you're going to build a painted bookcase for the kids' room, it's a waste of money. Cheaper lumber will be just as strong, and if you go about it right it will give you just as good-looking a piece of furniture—for about half the money. It pays to choose with care!

Second rule, buy standard sizes whenever possible—and the smallest suitable to the project on hand. For instance, if you want to build some shelves, and standard 1x10's would do, don't insist on boards 11 inches wide, or the yard will have to trim some 1x12's to size, and your bill will go up accordingly.

Finally, stick to lumber handled in large volume through regular trade channels. Anything that calls for "custom" handling—even if it's a locally grown species but your dealer doesn't usually handle it—will call for "custom" prices too.

To apply these rules, and save money when buying lumber, you must have a pretty good idea of what's generally available at lumberyards, of how lumber is classified, and of the kind of lumber you need for any one kind of job.

Lumber is classified by species (hardwoods and softwoods), by grades, and by sizes. The hardwoods are from deciduous trees (those that shed their leaves in winter), the softwoods mostly from evergreens. It's a botanical distinction, not directly based on the wood's hardness or softness. In fact, some hardwoods are softer than some softwoods.

Still, the really hard, dense woods are all real hardwoods. And hardwoods are generally more resistant to wear, and more difficult to work, than softwoods.

Lumber grades are based on the number and kinds of defects which appear in a board. The top two grades are No. 1 and 2 Clear, or A and B (referred to as B and Better). These two grades are nearly perfect—free of imperfections and knots. They're quite expensive, too, and you'll want to use them only for the finest work with natural wood finish.

C-Select is the next grade. It may have small pin knots and other minor imperfections, usually on one side only. Use it



Differences in grade really run into money! Which should you use? For many projects, No. 1 Common (middle) will do. If you need short lengths, saw knots off No. 3 Common (right); it works fine. Use B and Better (left) for finest carpentry work.

your lumber dollar

Here's what you need to know about lumber—grades, sizes, buying tips—in order to shop right . . . and save money!

for fine furniture work where only one side shows, and needs to be clear.

D-Select is the lowest of finish grades. It may have minor imperfections on both sides, but is still suitable for many furniture projects and for interior trim where a natural finish is desired.

Next come the "utility" grades, with No. 1 Common at the top. This grade allows larger solid knots and other minor defects. You'll find it an excellent choice for furniture projects you plan to enamel or paint—and even for many projects calling for a natural finish, if you allow for a little waste. This grade is relatively inexpensive when compared to select lumber.

No. 2 Common permits large knots—even an occasional loose one, and other imperfections. You can use this grade for knotty-pine paneling. And if you hand-pick the pieces and allow for some waste, you'll be able to use it for many projects that are to be painted—furniture, bookcases, trim, shelves. A little filler and sanding smooth up the surface fine.

No. 3 Common allows large knots and some knotholes, pitch pockets, checks, some decay, and many other minor defects. Use this grade for utility shelves, rough built-in storage, small projects, concrete forms, and sheathing.

No. 4 Common may not be available at your lumberyard. But when it is, use it for rough construction, temporary structures, boxes, and wherever appearance and strength are secondary.

No. 5 Common is the poorest lumber, used mostly by industry for crates and temporary construction. You might use it in short lengths, cutting out and around the defective areas.

Lumber is graded rapidly, by eye, so that you'll find some pieces of higher and lower grades among any given grade. Also, grading practices vary among lumber associations. Your best bet is to pick out your own lumber piece by piece. And don't expect to find all nine grades. Most yards carry only three or four grades of any one size and type.

Something you'll want to watch is that you don't use "green" lumber—it will shrink later and cause you trouble. For furniture it's necessary to use very dry, well-seasoned lumber. While seasoning,

wood shrinks and gains strength (it shrinks mostly across the grain, very little with the grain). Seasoning can be done by air drying or it can be speeded up and made more effective by baking the wood in ovens; this is called kiln drying. All wood used for making furniture should be kiln-dried—and you ought to check on this by asking your dealer.

Lumber that's been thoroughly dried may not stay that way. That's why finish lumber and trim for home interiors should never be moved in before the plaster has thoroughly dried. If it is, the wood will swell as it absorbs the moisture from the plaster. Then, when the home is heated, the lumber shrinks, opening up joints.

Lumber is priced by several methods. The most common one is by the board foot. A board foot is the amount of wood in a piece 1 foot square by 1 inch thick (nominal dimensions). In other words, it's the cubic volume that counts: A block of wood a foot square and a foot thick would contain 12 board feet. A board 1 foot wide, 12 feet long, and 1 inch thick also contains 12 board feet—as does one 6 inches wide, 12 feet long, and 2 inches thick.

To find the number of board feet in any piece of lumber, multiply its thickness in inches by its width *in feet* by its length in feet. Say you have a 1x4, 12 feet long: You multiply the thickness (1") by the width ($\frac{1}{2}$ ') by the length (12')—and get 4 board feet.

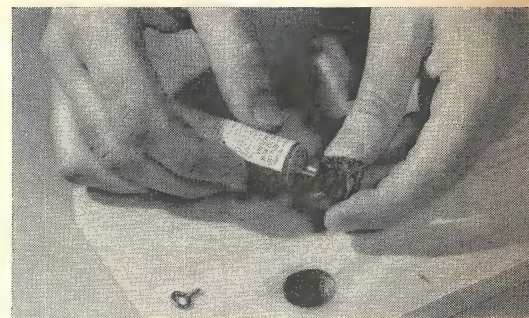
Your dealer may price his standard lumber by the linear or "running" foot, thus saving you the bother of figuring the board feet. For example, if the cost of 1 board foot of 1x6 is 24 cents, he will quote you the price as 12 cents a running foot.

Narrow strip lumber, stock moldings, casings, and various pieces of millwork are priced by the "running" foot. Wider and thicker boards, dimensional lumber, and timbers are usually quoted by the board-foot system. Other items may be sold by the bundle, the square, and the piece.

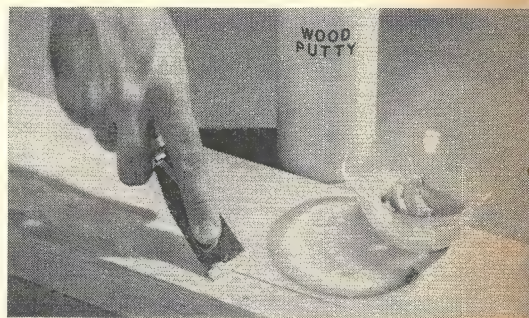
Remember, when you buy, that you will waste some lumber as you start cutting; it's best to figure about 10 percent for waste, depending on the job at hand.

And now the inevitable question, "Why don't I get a 1x6 board when I order it rather than a [Continued on page 36]"

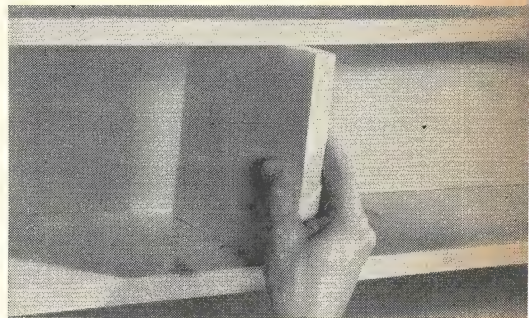
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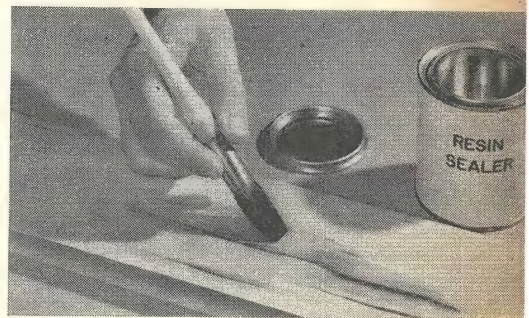
Loose knots are no problem if you remove them carefully, apply clear cellulose cement, let dry, apply more cement. Then push knot in place. Let dry. Sand. Apply sealer, finish.



Checks, splits, and other imperfections can be concealed with wood putty or cellulose fiber filler. Fill damaged area just above surface with thin layers. Then sand, apply primer.



Warped lumber can be salvaged by forcing it in line with a vertical board, as shown. Also, by nailing or screwing it into position, or with another bracket in the center of shelf board.

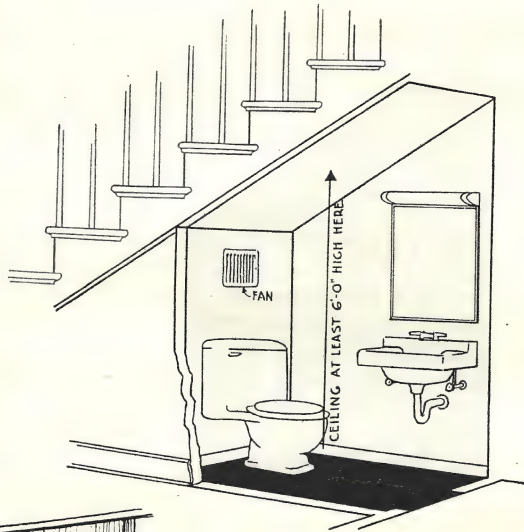


Pitch pockets won't show through paint if you seal them with resin sealer or thinned shellac. Brush on a thin coat; let it dry thoroughly before you start applying the finishing coats.

Where to add a bathroom

By L. Morgan Yost, F.A.I.A.

Use that deep, dark space under the stairs for a lavatory. Plan it so the ceiling comes 6 feet high at front of the water closet. If it is against an outside wall, cut a window through; otherwise use a small exhaust fan, controlled by a timer switch so the fan remains on for a few minutes after you leave. In close quarters where the lavatory is close to the water closet, you may want to omit lavatory legs.



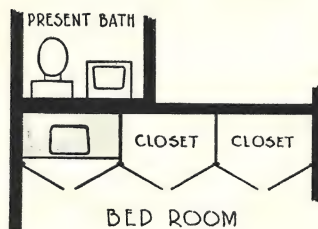
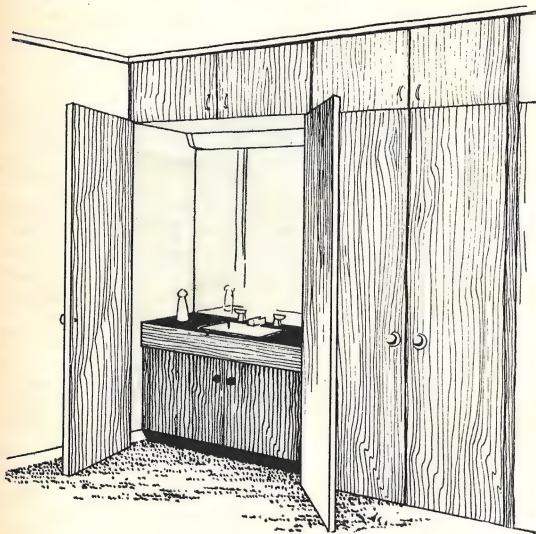
Seldom have we found a house that could not accommodate a second bathroom or half-bath, and *never* a family that wouldn't welcome one. But where to put it?

Look first for the "wet wall" containing your existing plumbing. Can a fixture or two be backed up to it, on the opposite side? If so, the plumbing job is relatively simple. You might, for instance, install a lavatory in a hall or bedroom that adjoins the bathroom.

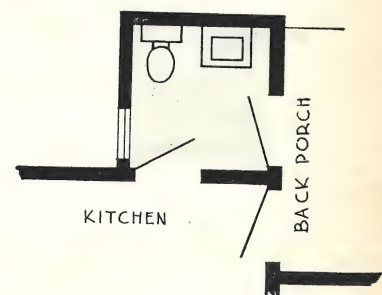
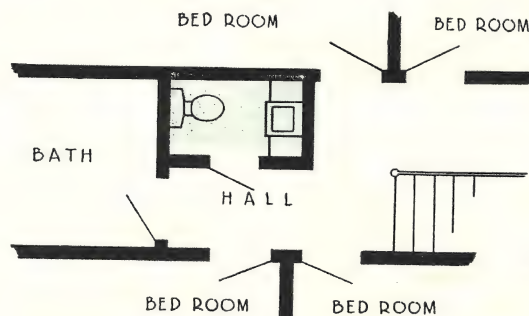
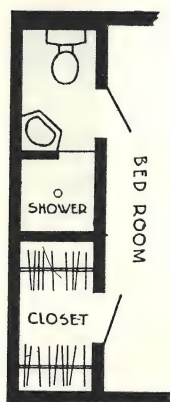
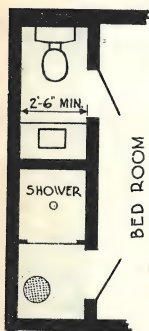
Inside closets and dark corners can be utilized for lavatories or powder rooms, now that we have electric exhaust fans. In fact, the exhaust fan is better ventilation than a window. Some ingenuity may be required to lead the duct to the outside, but it need be only 3 by 6 inches and usually can be run through the joist spaces, or up through the attic, or even down through the basement and out. In some localities just a vertical duct, about 4 by 10 inches, is required.

Should new plumbing pipes or stack be required, you are in for more expense. A lavatory, requiring a 2-inch waste pipe, is easier to install than a water closet, which needs a 4-inch cast-iron soil stack. Don't despair if you decide a new stack is necessary, but talk it over with a plumber.

So add the second complete bathroom if you have the space, but remember that you may get more use out of the same number of fixtures spread around the house where they do the most good.



A lavatory in a bedroom relieves the load on the family bathroom. It can be placed in a cabinet matching wardrobe cases so it is hidden when not in use. The plumbing job is simpler when the new lavatory can be located on a wall backing up the present bath.



Above are two suggestions for slicing a strip off the end of a large bedroom—much better than taking a big rectangle out of the corner. In your own room try several layouts, splitting the fixtures up in different combinations. Lay the plans out on the floor, using 5-inch strips of newspaper to show the location of the partitions. Don't forget that tubs are also available in 4-foot-square size, as well as the usual 5-foot by 30-inch-wide size, if it's a tight fit.

In a big old house, a large center hall may provide the space for the extra lavatory or bath. Often such available space is overlooked as it does not have a window or outside wall. An exhaust fan takes care of all ventilation problems, and with good lighting you never miss the daylight. A simple timer switch cuts the fan off. Check local building codes for permission to use a windowless bath. Some towns have codes that aren't up-to-date on this.

Many houses 30 years old have refrigerator rooms off the kitchen, now unused since the refrigerator has moved into the kitchen. Here is an ideal spot for the lavatory for family use. Some such rooms had outside doors for the iceman, which makes an ideal arrangement now for children at play outside or for mother and dad when gardening. This idea of the outside door could be used successfully in other locations of the first-floor bathroom.

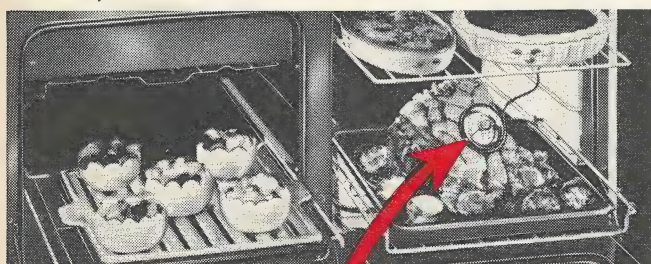
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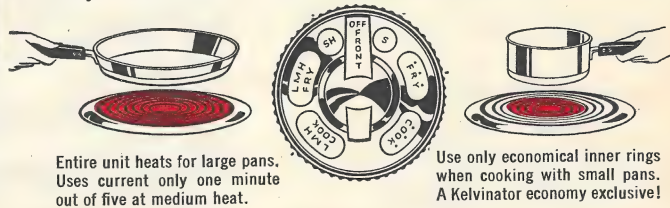


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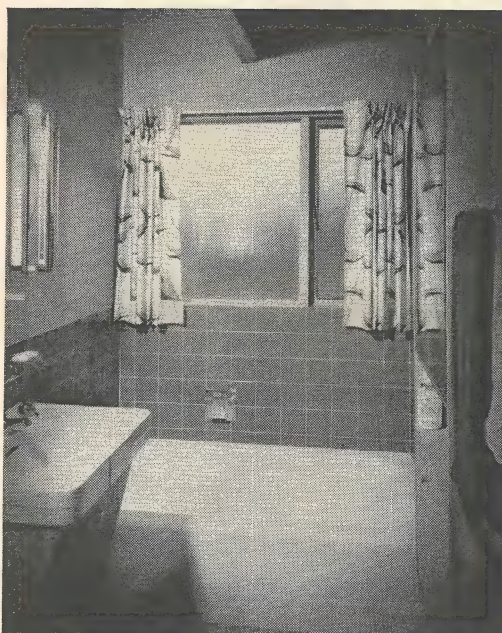
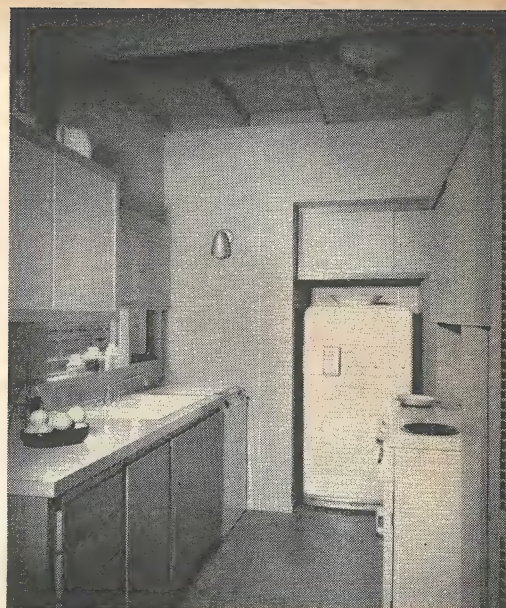
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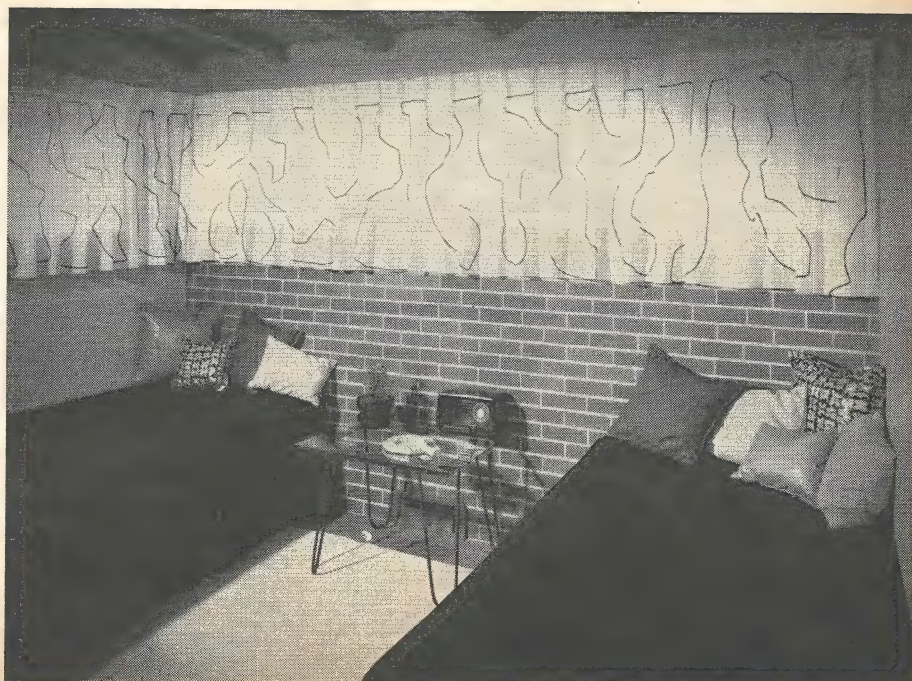
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The kitchen is another example of the neatness of this house. The range fits into a small storage partition that also contains the hall closet and the entrance closet. On the floor plan you see how the location of this one small unit separates kitchen, living room, and hall.



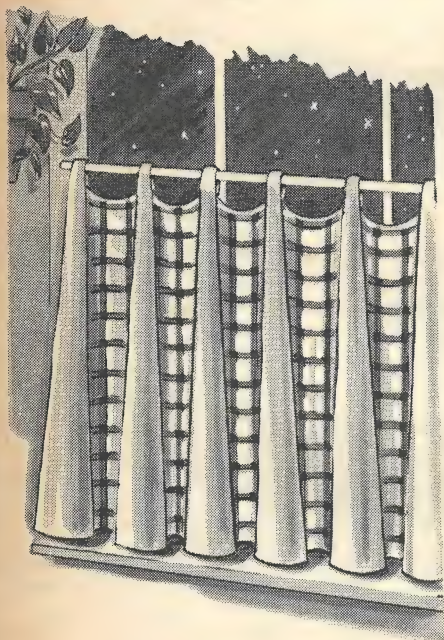
The two bathrooms are located on the rear wall, back to back, and open to the bedroom hall. Some families might want to change the door of this second bathroom to open to the rear bedroom, and move bedroom closet to other wall.

High windows in both bedrooms extend in an unbroken line around two walls. The interesting curtain design is Adair West's own—she made them from unbleached muslin, using black rug yarn in a free-form design for the pattern.

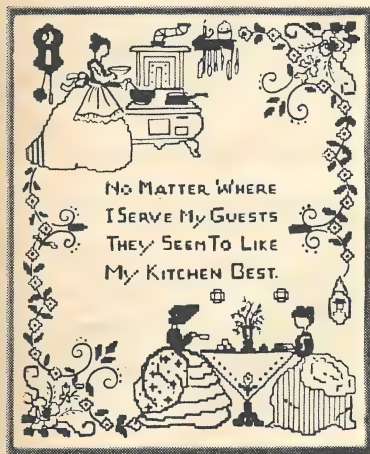


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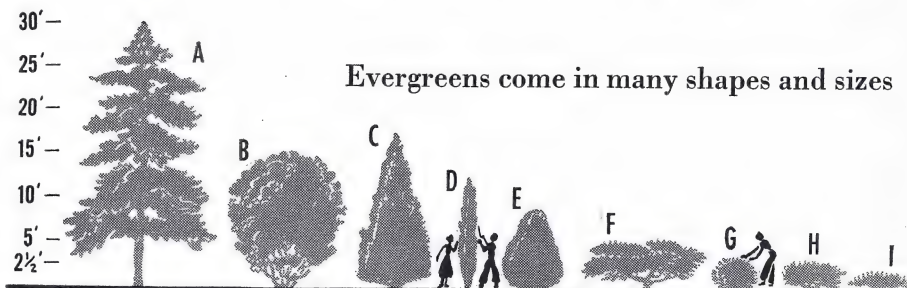
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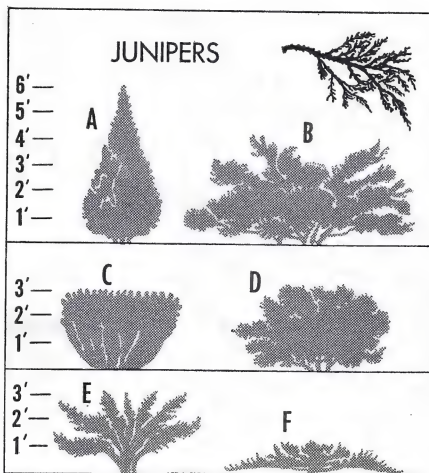
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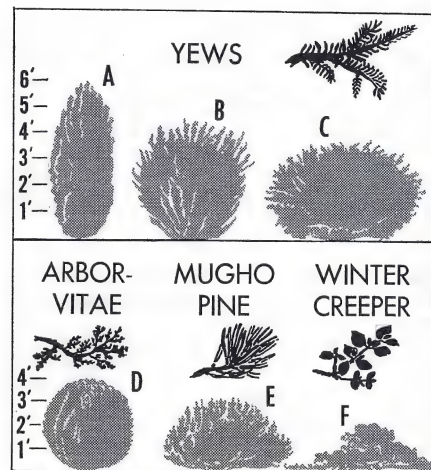
Evergreens come in many shapes and sizes

See how some trees (A) grow to giant size! They're mainly pine, spruce, fir, etc. Then there are big shrubs and small trees (B, C, D) that grow almost to housetops; in the South these may be broad-leaf evergreens like camellia and cherry-laurel. Finally come low-growing shrubs and creepers (E to I). Evergreens shown above are full grown, so keep this mature size in mind when you're selecting!

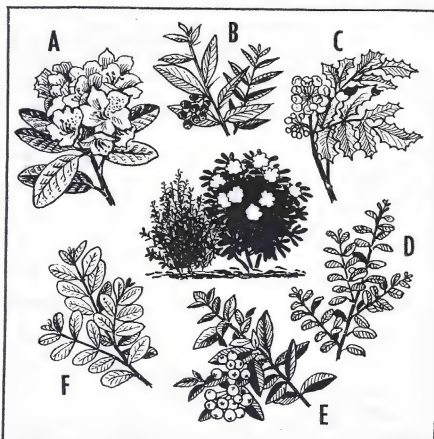
These hardy shrub-type evergreens survive 25°-below cold



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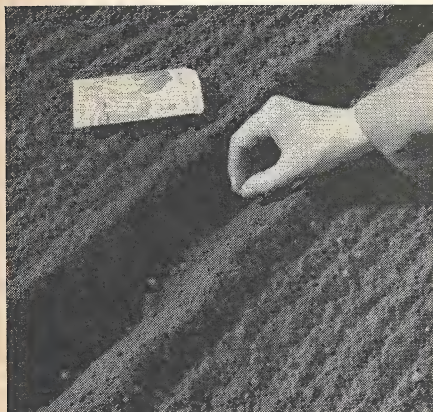
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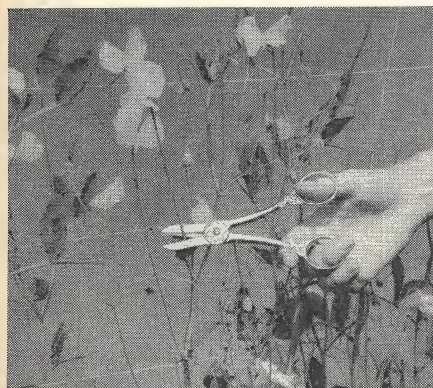
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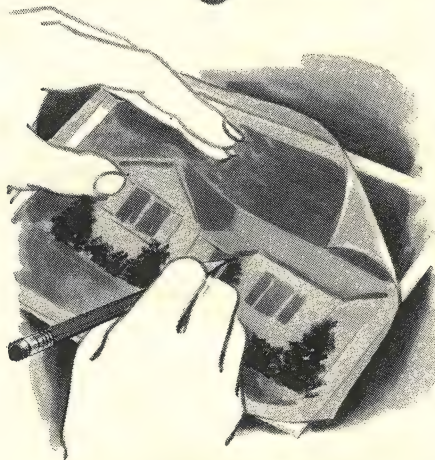
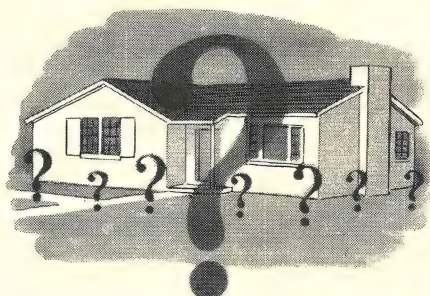
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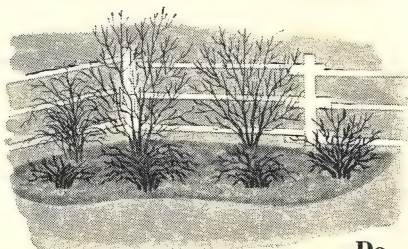


Don't buy shrubs without first studying effect.

Do try out all possibilities by sketching on tracing paper laid over a photo of the house.



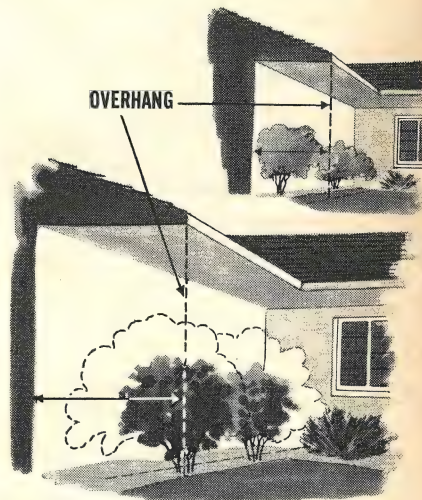
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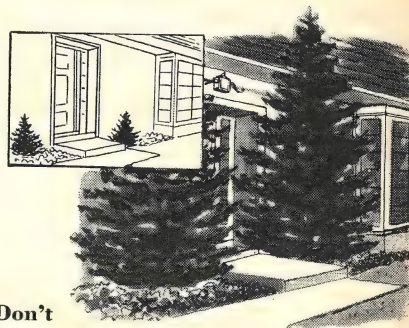
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Do remove sod from entire border area; prepare soil as for a garden; keep cultivated. Plot curved edges by laying out with hose.

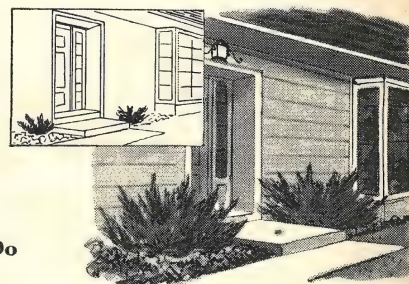


Don't plant young shrubs smack against house or under overhang that cuts off rain.

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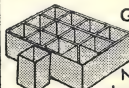


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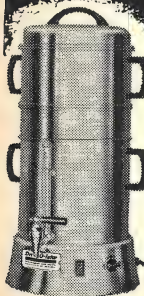
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If you trade with a cash-and-carry lumberyard, you may save some money, since their prices are often lower. You'll have to pick up the lumber yourself, but at the same time you may get to choose each piece you buy.

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Unlike softwoods, hardwoods are not cut to exact, predetermined sizes. This expensive lumber is usually cut to produce as much usable wood as possible. You'll find that hardwoods are sold by the board foot, linear foot, and occasionally by the pound.

But the basic buying rules apply: Use the least expensive grade—and smallest size—that will do the job. To save money buying hardwood, there is no substitute for talking your project over with your lumber dealer, and finding out just what's available at his yard and what's your best buy. For instance, if you plan to glue together a desk top, you may find yourself paying considerably more if you specify five 1x8's, 6 feet long, rather than random widths which would be just as usable. The yard may not have the specific width requested and be forced to cut the pieces from wider boards. You pay for this.

You'll soon find out, when you look for hardwoods, that most lumberyards don't carry much selection—except building items such as interior trim and flooring. Some yards carry hardwoods only in rough lumber, with possibly one edge squared or one or two sides surfaced. There are a few shops—especially in larger cities—where you can buy almost any kind of wood suitable for craft work, including many exotic woods. There is no waste to these, but you can expect to pay more for the perfect boards and special handling.

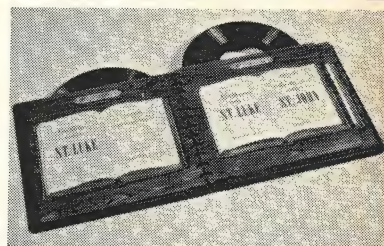
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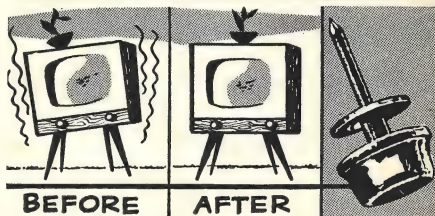
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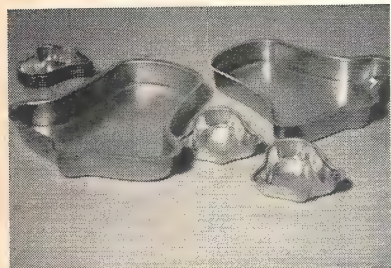
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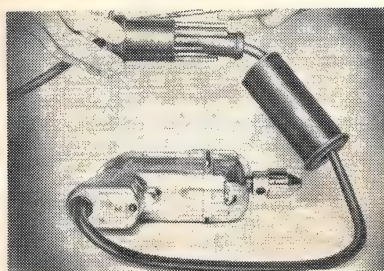


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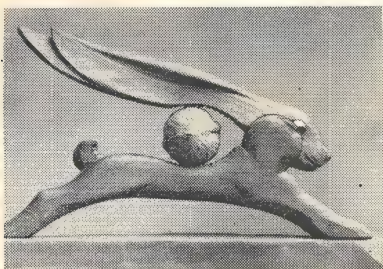
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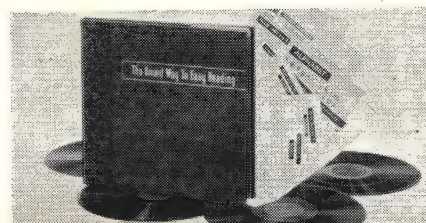
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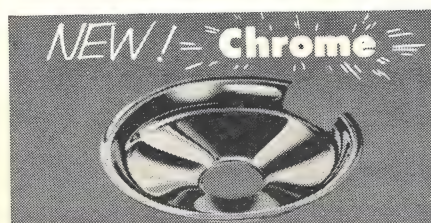
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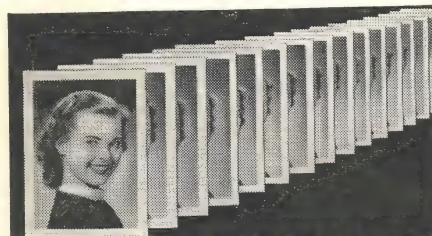
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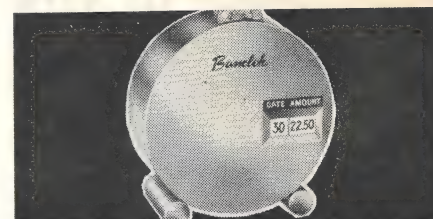
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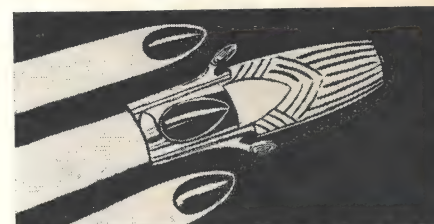
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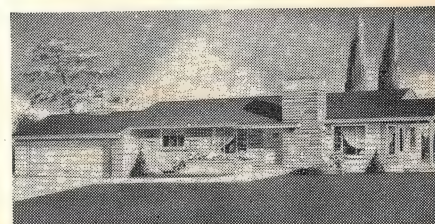
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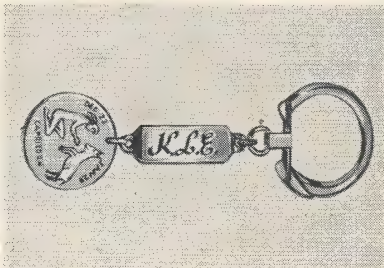
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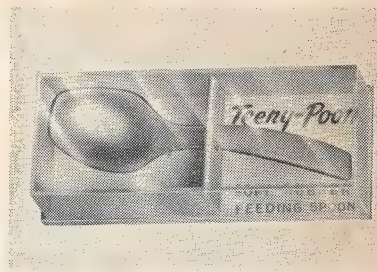
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By Ann McBride Dennis

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For your next coffee get-together, choose from this collection of coffeetime treats. You'll find quickies that start with pancake, biscuit, and roll mixes, as well as some of the favorite old stand-bys.

Apple Moon Coffee Cake

- 1 cup sugar
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup shortening
- 1 egg, well beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- $2\frac{1}{4}$ cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup flour
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 unpared red apples, cut into eighths

Cream 1 cup sugar and shortening. Blend in egg and vanilla; beat well. Sift $2\frac{1}{4}$ cups flour with baking powder and salt. Add alternately with milk to shortening mixture. Turn into greased $11\frac{3}{4}$ - by 7 $\frac{3}{8}$ - by $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch baking dish. Combine $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup flour, and cinnamon. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over batter. Place apple slices on top of crumb topping. Bake in moderate oven (350°) for 50 minutes. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Twin Treats

- 1 package (14 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) hot roll mix

Prepare dough according to directions on package. Let rise in warm place (80° to 85°) until doubled in bulk. Divide dough in half. Use for Glazed Cherry Crescents and Sugar Swirls.

GLAZED CHERRY CRESCENTS

Roll half of the raised dough into 8- by 12-inch rectangle. Brush [Continued on page 49]

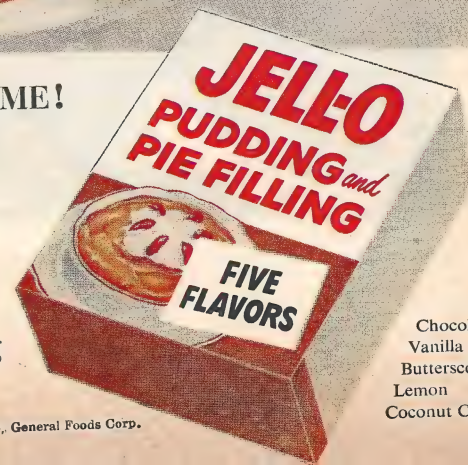
Top: Apple Moon Cake, Cinnamon Quick Cake with Marmalade Streusel topping; on plate: Glazed Cherry Crescents, Cinnamon Quick Cake, Golden Muffins, and Sugar Swirls; at bottom: Filled Coffee Kringle.

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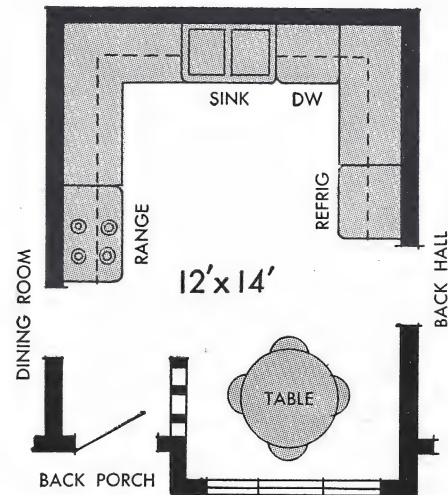
It all started with copper!

By Dahy B. Barnett

When Prissy Nelson, of Minneapolis, planned her new kitchen, she wanted a color scheme of green, yellow, and copper; but many of the accessories she needed—such as the ventilator, ceiling light fixture, curtain rod and rings—didn't come in copper. So what did she do? She had them copper-coated by a commercial plating firm!

This same attention to detail is shown in all the decoration and planning. Prissy wanted a kitchen with a dining area big enough for her family—husband Vernon, daughter Bonnie, and son Kirk—and an efficient, U-shaped food preparation center. She got it all, plus a passageway, into a 12- by 14-foot area. It took some planning, but her husband is a realtor and sees plenty of kitchens, so that helped. Prissy advises on house decoration, so she had plenty of experience in that way.

The result? A homey kitchen with all the warmth of Early American plus the efficiency found only in today's kitchens.



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The table is for double-duty use. Here, it's for working, as Prissy confers with one of her husband's customers about a color scheme. Smokie watches. Opposite, this same table is set for informal dining with her grandmother's Spode china—because the family likes it.



The U-shaped kitchen work area gives plenty of cabinet and counter space with excellent arrangement of sink-dishwasher, range, and refrigerator-freezer for maximum efficiency in food preparation. Note use of yellow and copper with black for a spicy atmosphere.

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Wins cooking contests for sixth year

Casper Mother Wins 77 Cooking Awards

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Kitchen Questions

By Ruth Dahlberg Smith

What can I do to keep my French fried potatoes crisp?—Lebanon, Illinois.

French fried potatoes should be served the minute they come from the fryer. If they stand, they lose crispness. Start with mealy, baking potatoes. (Do not use new potatoes.) Cut potatoes lengthwise into uniform $\frac{1}{4}$ - by $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch strips. Fry immediately, or chill in ice water for 30 minutes. Drain and pat very dry between towels before frying. Drop a few at a time into hot fat (385° to 395°). Fry until crisp and golden brown. Drain, salt, and serve immediately.

I want to fix a whole lot of French fried potatoes. How can I serve them hot and crisp?—Sioux City, Iowa.

You may want to use the two-step method for French frying potatoes. Cut potatoes into strips. Fry potatoes in hot fat (350°) until tender but not brown. Drain well. Just before serving, drop potatoes into hot fat (385° to 395°) and fry until crisp and brown, about 2 minutes. Drain, sprinkle with salt, and serve.

Yeast cakes come in small and large sizes. Which should I use when a recipe calls for 1 cake yeast?—Wysox, Pennsylvania.

Compressed yeast comes foil-wrapped in $\frac{3}{8}$ -ounce and $\frac{3}{5}$ -ounce packages. Either size may be used in your recipes. One envelope of active dry yeast may be substituted for a cake of compressed yeast in a recipe. Use lukewarm water to soften compressed yeast and slightly warmer water (see package directions) to dissolve active dry yeast.

Is there such a thing as overbeating a cake?—Glencoe, Minnesota.

Yes, cake batters may be overbeaten. The beating or manipulation necessary varies with the proportions and temperatures of ingredients, and the method of combining them. A cake that is overmixed will be small in volume with a smooth crust that is not well browned. The cake will be compact and less tender with tunnels throughout.

Sometimes the coffee that I make in my electric coffeemaker tastes stale, yet the same coffee perked on top of the stove seems all right. Can you tell me why?—Fairmont, Minnesota.

Since the unit of an electric coffeemaker must not be put into water, it takes a little more effort to keep an electric coffeemaker absolutely free of the oily coffee film which causes a stale flavor.

To wash an electric coffeemaker, remove basket, cover, and rod. Wash these carefully in sudsy water, using a brush to get at seams



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Crispy French fries are always a treat. Use the two-step method given at left to serve a crowd, one-step method for small groups.

and in the center of the rod. Fill pot with sudsy hot water and scrub thoroughly. Rinse and dry, leaving lid ajar. Frequently fill the coffeemaker about $\frac{3}{4}$ full of water and add 1 to 2 tablespoons baking soda; then heat about 10 to 15 minutes. Rinse and dry.

How can I make a clear chicken soup? The soup that I make looks gray and cloudy.—Saginaw, Michigan.

Strain seasoned chicken broth and chill. Remove hardened chicken fat. To clarify one quart of broth, mix 1 slightly beaten egg white with 1 tablespoon cold water. Add with crushed egg shell to broth. Bring to boiling point and boil 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Simmer 20 minutes over low heat. Strain through fine strainer. Prepare soup according to your own directions.

My plastic cups have coffee stains on them. Can you tell me how to remove these stains?—Alger, Ohio.

Several washing compounds known as oxidizing cleaners may be used to remove coffee stains from plastics. (ME, Reen'o, and Dip-It are trade names for these products.) Check the plastic manufacturer's directions. Some do not recommend using scouring powders or steel wool to remove coffee stains.

How can I know what size cake pan to use when the recipe doesn't specify or I don't have just the right size?—Buffalo, New York.

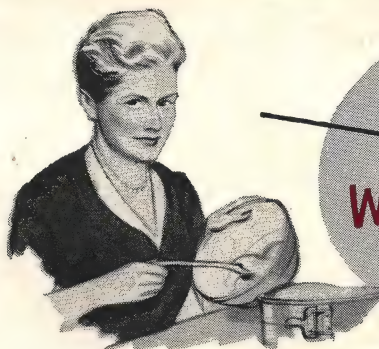
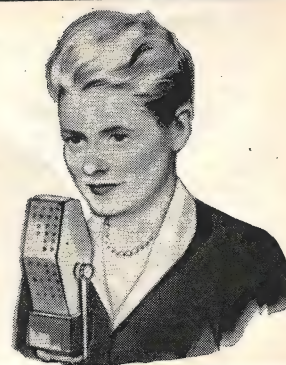
The amount of flour in a cake recipe (butter type) can be used as a guide in determining the size pans needed, when definite pan sizes are not specified. Use two round 8- by $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch layers when batters contain $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{3}{4}$ cups flour. Use two round 8- by $1\frac{1}{2}$ - or 9- by $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch layer pans for cakes made with 2 to $2\frac{1}{4}$ cups flour. Two round 9- by $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch layers are necessary for batters containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 cups flour. Remember also that cake pans should be filled only half full of batter for best results. Bake extra batter as cupcakes.

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Pineapple pin-ups

Pin up these pineapple recipes for delectable ways to top your list of make-often favorites!

By Eleanor C. Halderman

Popular pineapple has long played a starring role in meal-making. Refreshing by itself, this versatile fruit adds intriguing flavor to meats and salads... gives new sparkle to rolls, pies, cakes, and other desserts. For tantalizing goodness, try these pineapple pin-up favorites!

Cherry-Pineapple Bavarian

- 2 envelopes unflavored gelatine
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cold water
- 1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sliced maraschino cherries
- 1 cup whipping cream, whipped

Soften gelatine in cold water. Drain pineapple; measure juice and add enough water to make $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups. Heat juice, add gelatine, and stir until dissolved. Stir in sugar, salt, lemon juice, and vanilla. Pour into bowl and chill until slightly thickened. Beat until light and fluffy. Fold in crushed pineapple, cherries, and whipped cream. Pour into cold-water-rinsed $1\frac{1}{2}$ -quart mold and chill until firm. Unmold on serving platter; garnish as desired. Makes 8 servings.

Cranberry-Pineapple Pie

- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
- $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups cranberries, washed and drained
- 1 can (9 oz.) crushed pineapple
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup coarsely broken pecans
- 1 unbaked pastry shell (9-inch)
- Several strips unbaked pastry

Combine flour and sugars. Mix lightly with cranberries, pineapple, butter, and

pecans. Spoon evenly into pastry shell. Arrange slightly twisted pastry strips over top of pie. Bake in hot oven (425°) for 35 minutes or until crust is golden brown. Serve slightly warm.

Golden Royal Sponge Cake

- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup pineapple juice, unsweetened
- 8 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon grated orange rind
- 1 tablespoon orange juice
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar

(All ingredients should be at room temperature. Use medium speed on electric mixer throughout mixing.) Sift flour and salt together. Set aside. Combine sugar and pineapple juice in small, heavy saucepan over low heat. Stir until sugar is dissolved. Cook slowly until mixture spins a thread (230° to 232°). Beat egg yolks 5 minutes at medium speed on electric mixer, or until thick and lemon-colored. Beating constantly, pour hot syrup over egg yolks. Gradually add sifted dry ingredients, beating constantly. Beat 2 more minutes. Blend in vanilla, rind, and orange juice. Beat egg whites till foamy. Sprinkle cream of tartar evenly over egg whites. Beat until stiff, but not dry. Carefully fold into egg yolk mixture. Pour into ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Cut gently through batter with spatula to break large air bubbles. Bake in moderate oven (350°) for 40 to 45 minutes. Cool in inverted pan about 1 hour. Remove from pan. Place right side up. Serve with Heavenly Topping and garnish as desired with in-season fruit.

HEAVENLY TOPPING

- 1 cup miniature marshmallows
- 1 cup well-drained, crushed pineapple
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon lemon extract
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon vanilla
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup whipping cream, whipped

Combine marshmallows and pineapple. Cover and chill several hours. When ready to serve, blend flavorings and sugar into whipped cream. Carefully fold into

chilled pineapple mixture. Use as topping for individual servings of cake.

Hawaiian Ham Loaf

- 1 can (9 oz.) crushed pineapple
- 1 lb. (2 cups firmly packed) ground, cured ham
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. (3 cups firmly packed) ground pork steak
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup cracker crumbs
- Dash salt
- Brown Sugar Glaze

Drain pineapple, saving juice to be used in making glaze. Combine pineapple and remaining ingredients, except glaze. Pack into $9\frac{1}{4}$ - by $5\frac{1}{4}$ - by $2\frac{3}{4}$ -inch loaf pan. Turn out on baking pan about 7 by 11 inches. Bake in moderate oven (350°) for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Baste several times during last 35 minutes of baking period with Brown Sugar Glaze. To serve, garnish with maraschino cherries and pineapple slices brushed with glaze, if desired. Makes 10 to 12 servings.

BROWN SUGAR GLAZE

- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups brown sugar, firmly packed
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup vinegar
- 1 tablespoon dry mustard
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup pineapple juice

Combine ingredients in small, heavy saucepan. Stirring frequently, bring to a boil over medium heat. Boil 3 to 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Use as directed.

Surprise Sweet Rolls

- 1 package ($14\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) hot roll mix
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup warm water (110° to 115°)
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup warm pineapple juice
- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind
- 1 egg, well beaten
- 2 tablespoons soft butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup well-drained, crushed pineapple
- Caramel Butter Glaze

Remove envelope of yeast from inside of package of roll [Continued on next page]

← Lower left, clockwise: Cranberry-Pineapple Pie, Caramel-Glazed Surprise Rolls, Hawaiian Ham Loaf, Golden Royal Sponge Cake with Heavenly Topping, and Cherry-Pineapple Bavarian.

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2½ cups sifted cake flour	½ cup all-purpose oil
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1 teaspoon salt	½ cup milk
	2 eggs
	1½ cups sugar

Sift together flour, Baking Powder, and salt. Add oil, bananas, and milk. Beat until the mixture forms a very stiff batter. In a separate bowl, beat eggs until thick and foamy. Gradually add sugar and beat until very well blended. Fold egg-sugar mixture into first batter. Pour into 2 greased and floured 9 x 1½-inch round layer cake pans. Bake in a 375° F. (moderate) oven about 30 minutes. Cool before frosting with Seven Minute Frosting and walnut meats.

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mix. Dissolve yeast in warm water. Stir in juices, sugar, rind, and egg. Add roll mix, stirring until blended. Cover and let rise about 1 hour as directed on package, or until doubled in bulk. Turn out on floured board, kneading dough until smooth and satiny. Roll to 10- by 15-inch rectangle. Spread with butter. Mix sugar and cinnamon together. Sprinkle sugar mixture and crushed pineapple evenly over buttered dough. Roll, beginning at wide side. Cut 1¼-inch slices and place cut-side-down in greased 8- by 8- by 2-inch oven-glass pan. Cover and let rise in warm place about 40 minutes or until doubled in bulk. Bake in moderate oven (375°) for 20 to 25 minutes. Remove from oven. Drizzle the Caramel Butter Glaze quickly and evenly over top of rolls. Return to oven. Bake 5 minutes longer. Let stand in pan on cake rack 2 minutes, then turn out on rack or serving plate and serve hot. Makes 12 rolls.

CARAMEL BUTTER GLAZE

¼ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
1 tablespoon melted butter
2 teaspoons pineapple juice
2 tablespoons well-drained, crushed pineapple

Combine ingredients, mixing well. Use as directed above.

Lanai Lime Sherbet

1 cup water
1 cup sugar
1 package lime-flavored gelatine
⅓ cup lemon juice
2 teaspoons grated lemon rind
1 can (9 oz.) crushed pineapple (including juice)
Few drops green food coloring
2 cups milk

Combine water and sugar in saucepan over medium heat. Boil 3 minutes. Remove from heat. Add gelatine, stirring until dissolved. Cool. Add juice, rind, and pineapple. Chill in refrigerator tray until mixture is firm. Remove to mixer bowl. Beat until light and fluffy. Add food coloring as desired. Stir in milk. Return to freezing unit. Freeze until firm. Break in chunks. Beat with electric mixer until smooth and return to tray. Freeze firm—but not solid. Makes 6 servings.

Cucumber Crown Salad

2 packages lemon-flavored gelatine
2¼ cups boiling water
1 can (30 oz.) sliced pineapple
3 tablespoons vinegar or lemon juice
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon grated onion
2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
1½ cups unpared, diced, drained cucumber

Dissolve gelatine in boiling water. Drain pineapple; measure juice and add enough water to make 1½ cups. Combine juice, and vinegar or lemon juice with gelatine mixture. Chill until slightly thickened. Cut 3 pineapple slices in half. Arrange around outer edge of cold-water-rinsed 1½-quart ring mold. Cube remaining pineapple. Fold pineapple and remaining ingredients into chilled gelatine. Spoon into ring mold. Chill until firm. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Pineapple Crumble

4 cups sliced, pared, tart cooking apples
¾ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 can (9 oz.) crushed pineapple
1 tablespoon lemon juice
¾ cup sifted all-purpose flour
½ cup sugar
½ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
⅓ cup soft butter

Combine apples, salt, cinnamon, undrained pineapple, and lemon juice. Mix well. Spread evenly in bottom of greased 8- by 8- by 2-inch oven-glass pan. Blend together flour, sugars, and butter. Sprinkle butter mixture evenly over fruit. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 40 minutes. Serve warm. Serves 6.

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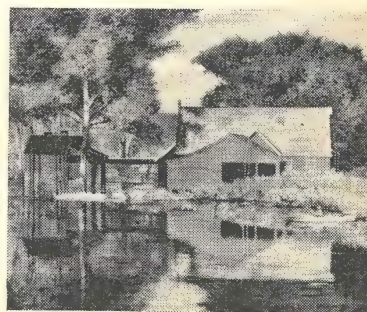
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For appetizers	1 lb. 4 oz.	2½ cups
and fruit cup	1 lb. 14 oz.	3½ cups

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with melted butter. Cut into 3- by 4-inch pieces. Spread 1 teaspoon drained cherry preserves lengthwise in middle of each piece. Fold in half, press edges together, and seal. Place on greased baking sheet, curving ends slightly. Cut 3 or 4 slashes in folded edge. Cover and let rise until light, about 1 hour. Bake in moderate oven (375°) for 15 to 20 minutes or until lightly browned. Drizzle with thin powdered sugar icing. Makes 8 rolls.

SUGAR SWIRLS

Roll half of the raised dough into rectangle 12 inches long and ¼ inch thick. Cut into long strips ¾ inch wide. Dip in melted butter and roll in sugar. Swirl each strip around like a snail, tucking end underneath. Place on greased baking sheet. Cover and let rise until light, about 1 hour. Bake in moderate oven (375°) for 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 10 swirls.

Cinnamon Quick Cake

- 2¼ cups biscuit mix
- ½ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1½ teaspoons cinnamon
- ¼ cup butter
- ½ cup chopped nuts
- ⅔ cup milk
- 1 egg, well beaten

Combine biscuit mix, brown sugar, and cinnamon. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add nuts. Reserve ½ cup of this crumb mixture for topping. Combine milk and egg. Add to remaining crumb mixture.

Stir just until moistened. Pour into greased 10- by 6- by 1½-inch baking dish. Sprinkle remaining crumb mixture over batter. Bake in moderate oven (375°) for 30 to 35 minutes. Serve warm. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

MARMALADE STREUSEL VARIATION

Spoon diagonal rows of orange marmalade on top of baked cake. Serve warm.

Golden Muffins

- 2¼ cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 egg, well beaten
- ¼ cup orange juice
- ¾ cup milk
- ¼ cup melted butter
- ¾ cup chopped canned apricots

Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, and sugar into mixing bowl. Combine egg, orange juice, milk, and butter. Add to dry ingredients, stirring only until mixture is blended. Fold in ½ cup drained apricots. Fill greased muffin pans two-thirds full. Sprinkle Crisp Topping over batter. Top with remaining chopped apricots. Bake in moderate oven (375°) for 25 minutes. Makes 16 muffins.

CRISP TOPPING

- ¼ cup sifted all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons chopped nuts
- 2 tablespoons melted butter

Blend ingredients together. Use as directed.

Filled Coffee Kringle

- 1 package (14½ oz.) hot roll mix
- Prune-Poppy Seed Filling

Prepare dough according to directions on package. Let rise in warm place (80° to 85°) until doubled in bulk. Roll into a 14- by 8-inch rectangle. Spread middle third lengthwise with the Prune-Poppy Seed Filling. Slash diagonally toward center on each side, about 2 inches deep and 2 inches apart. Crisscross strips over filling, sealing ends. Place on greased baking sheet. Let rise in a warm place until light, about 1 hour. Bake in moderate oven (375°) for 35 minutes. Makes 14 slices.

PRUNE-POPPY SEED FILLING

- 1 cup chopped, cooked prunes
- ¼ cup chopped maraschino cherries
- 2 tablespoons poppy seeds
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon orange juice
- 1 teaspoon grated orange rind
- ¼ cup chopped nuts

Combine ingredients and mix well. Spread on Coffee Kringle dough as directed.

Marble-Nut Coffee Cake

- 2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup soft butter
- ¾ cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- ⅔ cup milk

Sift flour, baking powder, and salt. Cream butter and sugar. Add [Continued on next page]

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juice, egg, and milk. Blend lightly into dry ingredients. Spoon batter and Nut Filling alternately into greased 8- by 8- by 2-inch baking dish. Bake in moderate oven (350°) for 25 to 30 minutes. While warm, cut into squares. Makes 9 servings.

NUT FILLING

- ½ cup chopped nuts
- ½ cup fine, dry bread crumbs
- ¼ cup flour
- ¼ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- ¼ cup soft butter

Combine nuts, crumbs, flour, brown sugar, nutmeg, and lemon rind. Thoroughly blend in butter. Use as directed above.

Apple Butter Ring

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1½ cups pancake mix
- ¼ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon rind
- 1 egg, well beaten
- ¼ cup milk
- 1 cup thick apple butter
- ¼ cup raisins
- ½ cup chopped nuts
- Powdered sugar icing

Cut butter into pancake mix. Blend in sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, and lemon rind. Combine egg, milk, and apple butter. Stir into pancake mixture. Fold in raisins and nuts. Pour into well-greased 9-inch ring mold. Bake in moderate oven (350°) for 30 to 35 minutes. Frost with powdered sugar icing, if desired. Makes 8 servings.

Double-Decker Coffee Cake

- 1 package (14½ oz.) hot roll mix
- Melted butter
- Date Filling
- Lemon-flavored icing

Prepare dough according to directions on package. Let rise in warm place (80° to 85°) until doubled in bulk. Roll dough into 9- by 14-inch oblong. Brush with melted butter. Spread Date Filling lengthwise over two thirds of dough. Fold remaining dough over half of filled portion. Fold remaining filled portion over top, making three layers. Seal edges. Place roll, seam side down, on greased baking sheet. Cut 5 to 7 diagonal slits in top of roll. Cover. Let rise until light. Bake in moderate oven (350°) for 30 to 35 minutes. Frost cooled loaf with lemon-flavored icing, if desired. Slice to serve. Makes 14 servings.

DATE FILLING

- ¾ cup chopped dates
- ¼ cup sugar
- ¼ cup water
- ¼ cup chopped nuts
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon lemon rind
- Dash nutmeg

Combine dates, sugar, and water. Cook over medium heat until thick, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Blend in remaining ingredients. Cool. Use as directed in Double-Decker Coffee Cake recipe.

Strawberry Coffee Cake

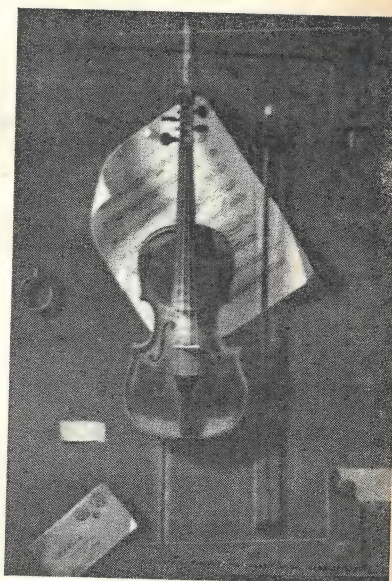
- 1½ cups sifted all-purpose flour
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 egg, well beaten
- ½ cup milk
- ¼ cup melted shortening
- ½ cup frozen strawberries, defrosted and drained
- Few drops lemon juice
- Streusel Topping

Sift together dry ingredients into mixing bowl. Combine egg, milk, and shortening. Pour mixture into dry ingredients and mix well. Turn into greased 8- by 8- by 2-inch baking dish. With knife handle make depressions in batter. Fill with strawberries mixed with the lemon juice. Sprinkle with Streusel Topping. Bake in hot oven (400°) for 30 to 35 minutes. Makes 9 servings.

STREUSEL TOPPING

- ¼ cup sifted all-purpose flour
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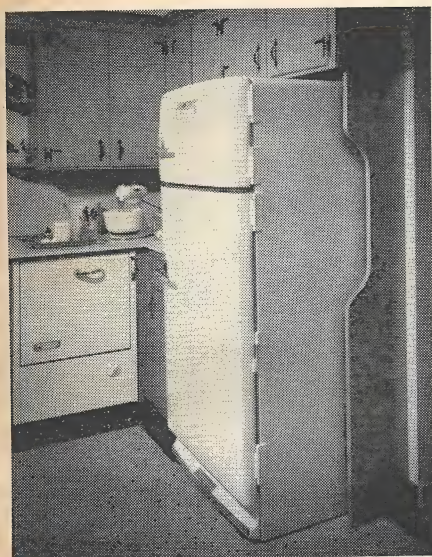
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The divider provides an attractive place for showing off Prissy's collection to best advantage. Even the light switch-plate carries out the Colonial theme reflected throughout room.

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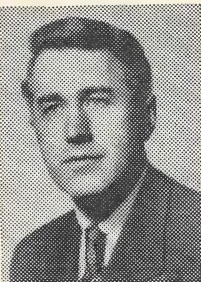
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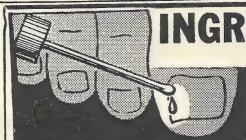
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We formed a family camera club!

By Marjorie Wilson

Most of us "grownups" remember childhood as an interesting, exciting time of our life—but what do we really remember? The pals we had, the things we did, the places we visited have lost their contours through the haze of years.

Pictures keep these memories alive. No doubt we all have photos from our childhood, but what are they? Well, I have no end of stiff, unnatural poses of my family, those unfailingly taken on Easter morning and a few more that summer vacations seemed to inspire—but there's something missing. What about the time we built that nifty two-story "hut" over in the vacant lot, and the time our neighborhood "gang" took that bike hike, yes, and what about the summers I spent on my uncle's ranch in Jackson Hole, Wyoming? Dad and his camera just never seemed to be around on those occasions that were so dear to my heart.

Realizing all this, about a year ago, I got to thinking about the kids in our family—the fun they have that will soon be forgotten. Photography having been an off-and-on hobby of mine for quite some time, I remembered a little box camera, the kind with no lens opening to set, that I had stored away several years ago when my amateur interests turned toward 35mm colored slides. I dug the camera out of the attic and cleaned it up. Then I bought another comparatively inexpensive reflex-type camera. This one was a little more advanced, as it had to be focused and had three lens openings (f8, f11, and f16). Practically any usable camera would have served our purpose, but a reflex is especially good for beginners as it enables them to see at a glance exactly what will be in their picture.

When I had this equipment together, I called a meeting of the four kids, and we decided to start a family photo club. They were all for it. At that time Sandy was 14, Linda 11, Peter 9, and Peggy 7—we debated awhile whether Peggy was old enough to be a full-fledged member and decided to include her on a trial basis. At first she found it fascinating to take the backs off the cameras and peer into them when they were loaded. After we explained why this could not be done, she was more than willing to co-operate.

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I spent a few evenings teaching our "Gladstone Association of Photographers" (named after the street on which we live) how to use and take care of the cameras. Peter and Peggy, the two youngest, used the box camera, while Sandy and Linda used the other one. Each child practiced composing and snapping the picture with an empty camera, to get the "feel." Our groundwork laid, we made assignments.

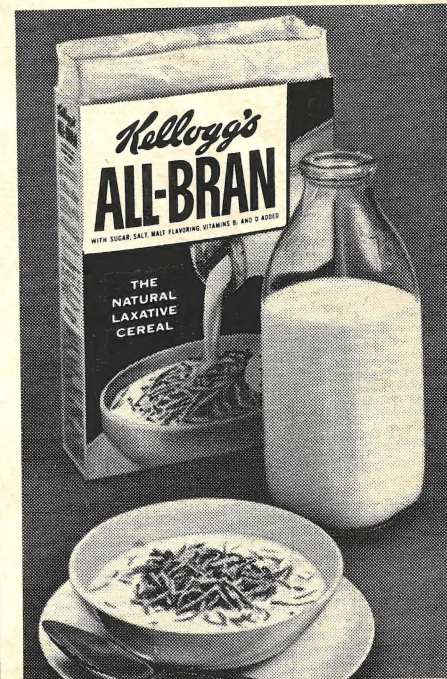
Each youngster was to take three pictures a week—these were assigned each Monday, to be completed by the following Saturday. As film for each camera would give us 12 pictures per roll, with two kids to a camera, at the end of two weeks the films would be ready for processing. When the finished prints arrived home, it was an excited bunch that gathered around to look them over and discuss them. For their first pictures they were to take a dog, a baby, and their favorite house in the neighborhood—it was up to them to be original in their compositions. Originality was the thing I tried to stress most. Their first attempts weren't tops, but improved fast.

We decided that once every three months we would have a contest. Each youngster would submit one photo—the one he believed to be his very best—to be judged by an outsider according to sharpness, composition, and exposure; of course, their ages had to be considered. For prizes the winner would have his choice of a gadget bag, color film, flash attachment, or some other photographic equipment. One might think three months a long and impatient wait between contests. At first we considered having them monthly, but decided that by waiting longer we could increase the value of the prizes. By making their weekly assignments interesting, we hoped the results would spur each child on to greater improvement each week—the improvement that might make him the winner of the contest.

Our little organization lasted only one year, but it certainly served its purpose; there are very few places the kids go that they can't revisit through their pictures. On a recent overnight camping trip with some of her girl friends, Linda took a lovely set of pictures—her pictures tell the story. Peter spent two weeks with his pal's family at a cottage in Michigan this summer, and his pictures will keep his vacation fun alive. Still a little young, Peggy took some pretty good shots when her daddy took her to a threshing match. Sandy will be off to college in a couple of years now, and the adventures her camera will record will be delightful, priceless memories to her later in life.

"The Gladstone Association of Photographers" may not have developed any future professionals, but at least our two little and two medium-size amateurs will have albums to show their children and to help them recapture the all-too-soon-gone time of youth.

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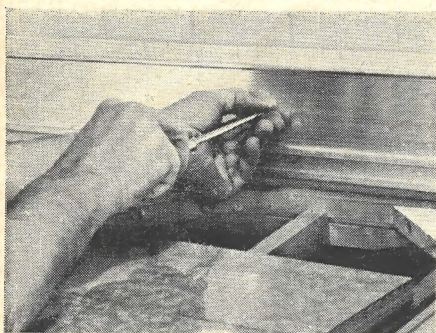


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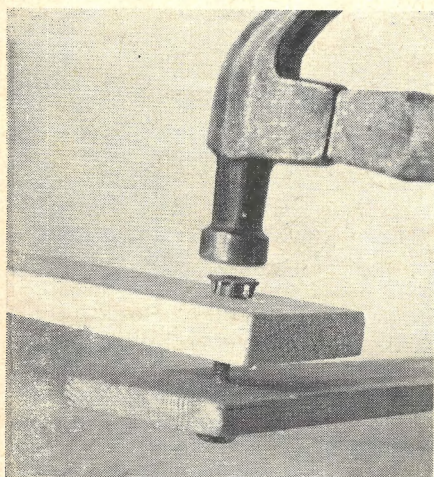
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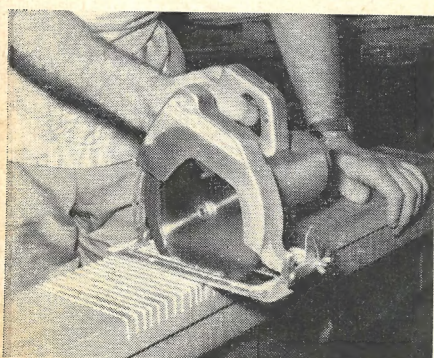
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By Stanley Schuler

Q. *Our bed casters have worn 1/4-inch-deep grooves in the wood floor. What should I fill these with before laying linoleum?*

A. Chances are that the linoleum won't crack or even dent very much if you cover the wood with a layer of lining felt and then the linoleum. But you're wise not to take any chances—especially since filling the cracks is easy. Cram them full of cellulose fiber filler, sand smooth, then paste down the felt.

You'd better change those casters, too. If they could do so much damage to wood, they're sure to damage the linoleum, too. Replace them with wider casters, or remove them and set the legs into wide glass coasters.

Q. *When he painted the walls, the painter splattered paint all over the dark varnished wainscot and woodwork. I tried to remove the spots with paint remover, but it just took off the varnish. What should I do?*

A. It's going to be tiresome and difficult, but your best bet is to scrape off the paint with a razor blade or sharp knife. Even though you may also scrape off some of the varnish, the cleaned spot will be so small that it can be touched up with varnish so you won't see it.

Q. *We used a rubber-base paint over a gloss enamel. It peels off at the slightest bump. What did we do wrong?*

A. No paint will stick tight to gloss enamel unless you take the following precautions: First, wash the enamel thoroughly to remove grease and dirt (use a detergent solution). Second, roughen the enamel slightly by sanding with fine sandpaper.

Q. *The veneer on my piano is cracked and slightly raised (but not chipped off) where a flower pot was set on it. Can I fix it?*

A. Remove the finish with a varnish remover. Then smooth down the raised wood fibers with a sanding block. Blow the dust out of the cracks and brush on a coat of paste filler which matches your final finish. Wipe off after it has started to set; let dry, then smooth with steel wool. Apply an oil stain and final finish.

If the wood is curled up off the base wood, force some glue into the cracks, cover with paper, and weight or clamp down until dry. Sand; then apply paste filler, stain, and finish.

Q. *What can I use to fill the crack around the rim of the bathtub?*

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Q. *Someone recommended using penetrating floor seal on furniture. Is it a good idea?*

A. Penetrating seal is often used as a furniture finish—especially on pieces that are sub-

ject to hard wear (desks, for instance). The seal penetrates into the wood pores and reinforces the fibers.

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Q. *Does radiant heat have any effect on wall-to-wall carpeting?*

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Q. *How should Philippine mahogany woodwork be finished? Could I use wax instead of varnish? Should a filler be applied first?*

A. Philippine mahogany is an open-grained wood. You should first apply a paste filler. When this is dry, go over the surface with fine steel wool. You can then apply any finish you like. Paste wax would do nicely, though I personally would apply varnish and then wax.

Q. *Our bedroom walls had large cracks. Though filled before painting the walls, they show through like large veins. Can I fix this?*

A. Fresh plaster patches often show through paint—especially oil paint. Before your walls were painted, the plaster in the cracks should have been primed with a good undercoater.

In your case, of course, it's too late for that treatment. But you should be able to obliterate the plaster lines by applying an undercoat over them now, then repainting the walls. Tint the undercoat to match the final finish.

Q. *Can we straighten out the leaves of a drop-leaf table, which have warped?*

A. Screw hardwood cleats to the bottom of the leaves. Of course, the cleats should be at



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right angles to the warp. To avoid cracking the leaves, tighten the cleats gradually—over a period of a couple of weeks.

Q. *We have an old house and the stair treads are worn down badly. Can the hollows be filled so I could put down carpet treads?*

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"You can tell from the Fluffo batter that you'll get a better cake! It bakes up beautifully, so moist and rich—with a wonderful eating quality you just can't get with white shortening!"

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MRS. VIK'S CHAMPIONSHIP FUDGE CAKE

Try this cake on your husband — it'll be his favorite, too! (Use Fluffo in all recipes that call for shortening; no need to change any measurement.)

2 cups sifted cake flour	3 squares melted unsweetened chocolate
1½ cups sugar	1 tsp. salt
1½ tsp. soda	½ cup FLUFFO
½ tsp. double-acting baking powder	1½ cups milk (add ⅔ cup twice)
	3 eggs (⅔ cup)
	1 tsp. vanilla

Combine flour, sugar, salt, soda and baking powder in mixing bowl. Add Fluffo, melted chocolate and ⅔ cup milk. Beat vigorously by hand or mixer (medium speed) for 2 minutes, scraping bowl often. Add eggs, ⅔ cup milk and vanilla. Beat for 2 minutes. Pour into two 9" cake pans 1½" deep, rubbed with Fluffo or lined with paper. Bake 35-40 min. at 350°. Cool 10-15 min., remove from pans and cool on wire cake rack.

Luscious Fudge Frosting: Mix ⅓ cup Fluffo, 1 egg, 3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar and ¼ tsp. salt. Add 2½ squares melted unsweetened chocolate and beat thoroughly. Add 5 tbsp. cream or top milk, one at a time while beating, beat till smooth and good spreading consistency.

Mocha Icing: Add 1 tbsp. instant coffee, dissolved in cream.

Mint Icing: Add ⅓ to ¼ tsp. mint flavoring during final beating.

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